# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

# **NEWS RELEASE**



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#### SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

# District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 27, 2017:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N. latitude, 131°18.90′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

#### District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 27, 2017:

District 2: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Polk Island located at 55°00.73′ N. latitude with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

#### District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 27, 2017:

Section 3-A: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Shipwreck Point to the southernmost tip of Coning Point to the southernmost tip of Datzkoo Point located at 54°43.80′ N. latitude, 132°41.83′ W. longitude with the following restriction:

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40′ N. latitude, 132°24.77′ W. longitude to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island to a point at 54°49.68′ N. latitude, 132°20.50′ W. longitude (located approximately 0.5 nautical miles east of Guide Rock).

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch to the northernmost tip of Point Animas located at 55°32.06′ N. latitude, 133°27.37′ W. longitude to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda located at 55°19.11′ N. latitude, 133°27.80′ W. longitude.

#### District 4

District 4: will be closed.

#### District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 27, 2017:

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde.

#### District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 27, 2017:

Section 9-B: will be open north of the latitude of Point Sullivan and south of the latitude of **Cornwallis Point Light** with the following restriction:

Keku Strait and Port Camden: will be closed.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 28, 2017:

Section 9-B: will be open north of the latitude of Point Cosmos and south of the latitude of Point Sullivan with the following restrictions:

Gedney Harbor: will be closed east of a line from Swaine Point to Point Cosmos;

<u>Elena Bay</u>: will be closed north of a line from the southernmost tip of Gap Point to Elena Point;

<u>Rowan Bay</u>: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.10′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude to 56°39.47′ N. latitude, 134°17.25′ W. longitude;

Bay of Pillars: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis to Point Ellis Light to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.42′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude.

#### District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 27, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 28, 2017:

District 10: will be open with the following restrictions:

Frederick Sound: will be closed east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light to Pinta Point;

<u>Gambier Bay</u>: will be closed north of the latitude of Gambier Island Light with all waters of Snug Cove closed;

<u>Pybus Bay</u>: will be closed **north of a line from the southernmost tip of Elliot Island to Point Pybus**;

**Port Houghton:** will be closed east of the longitude of Point Hobart (133°28.47′ W. longitude).

#### District 11

The following area will be open to purse seining from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 27, 2017:

Section 11-A: will be open in the following area:

Amalga Harbor Special Harvest Area (SHA): will be open in the reduced area in the waters of Favorite Channel within the boundaries of a line from a marker on the mainland shore south of Eagle Beach at 58°30.65′ N. latitude, 134°49.30′ W. longitude, running west to a point at 58°30.50′ N. latitude, 134°50.77′ W. longitude, then running southeast to a point at 58°28.62′ N. latitude, 134°48.22′ W. longitude, then running northeast to a marker on the mainland shore north of Pearl Harbor at 58°28.78′ N. latitude, 134°47.26′ W. longitude, then north to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°28.99′ N. latitude, 134°47.41′ W. longitude, then north to a marker on the westernmost tip of Kishbrock Island at 58°29.47′ N. latitude, 134°47.78′ W. longitude, and then north to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°30.02′ N. latitude, 134°48.06′ W. longitude, and including the waters of Eagle Harbor north of a line from 58°29.83′ N. latitude, 134°47.63′ W. longitude to 58°29.69′ N. latitude, 134°47.91′ W. longitude.

#### District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday, July 27, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 1 nautical mile of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Couverden at 58°11.39′ N. latitude and north of the latitude of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N. latitude.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 27, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Chichagof Island, Catherine Island, and Baranof Island shorelines: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island, Catherine Island, and Baranof Island shoreline and the Section 13-C boundary; south of East Point (57°48.33′ N. latitude) and north of South Point (including the waters of Kelp Bay and Tenakee Inlet);

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N. latitude and north of Fishery Point at 57°47.36′ N. latitude;

Hidden Falls THA: will be closed.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 27, through 8:00 p.m., Friday July 28, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 2 nautical miles from the Chichagof Island shoreline and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light);

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N. latitude and north of Point Hepburn at 57°56.21′ N. latitude.

#### District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 27, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 28, 2017:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restriction:

<u>Lisianski Inlet</u>: will be closed between 57°54.54′ N. latitude and 57°53.86′ N. latitude (near Phonograph Creek) and closed south of 57°52.37′ N. latitude.

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Slocum Arm: normal markers;

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

<u>Ford Arm</u>: will be closed north and east of a line from 57°34.74′ N. latitude, 135°57.08′ W. longitude to 57°34.38′ N. latitude, 135°56.46′ W. longitude;

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°08.01′ W. longitude;

Goulding Harbor: will be closed east of 136°14.17′ W. longitude.

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point and north of the latitude of Scraggy Point with the following restriction:

Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°35.16′ W. longitude.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following area:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.50′ N. latitude, 135°34.28′ W. longitude to Makhnati Rock Light to Surf Rock Light to Simpson Rock Light to Tsaritsa Rock Light to Silver Point with the following restrictions:

<u>Silver Bay</u>: will be closed east of a line from Entry Point Light to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°01.58′ N. latitude, 135°14.58′ W. longitude;

Camp Coogan Bay: will be closed east of 135°14.78′ W. longitude;

<u>Crescent Bay</u>: will be closed in all waters of Crescent Bay enclosed by a line from the east end of the John O'Connell Bridge to The Twins Light to the southernmost tip of Guertin Island;

<u>Starrigavin Bay and Mosquito Cove</u>: will be closed east of a line from Harbor Point to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.78′ N. latitude, 135°22.55′ W. longitude;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00′ N. latitude and south of the latitude of Creek Point;

<u>Nakwasina Sound</u>: will be closed northeast of a line from a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at  $57^{\circ}10.58'$  N. latitude,  $135^{\circ}24.81'$  W. longitude to the easternmost tip of Crosswise Island to the northernmost tip of Beehive Island then due west to the Halleck Island shoreline.

West Crawfish Inlet and Shamrock Bay: will be open east of 135°16.00′ W. longitude and south of 56°50.00′ N. latitude.

Section 13-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Craven to Point Hayes;

Saook Bay: normal markers;

Rodman Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from Point Elizabeth to Point Benham;

Hoonah Sound North Arm and Peril Strait: will be closed north and west of a line from 57°28.83′ N. latitude, 135°06.62′ W. longitude to Pederson Point (on Moser Island).

#### District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 27, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 28, 2017:

Section 14-A: will be open in the following areas:

Port Althorp: south of a line from Point Lucan to a point at 58°09.70′ N. latitude, 136°19.68′ W. longitude and north of a line from a point at 58°07.66′ N. latitude, 136°17.69′ W. longitude to a point at 58°07.44′ N. latitude, 136°18.83′ W. longitude with the following restriction:

East Arm: will be closed east of a line from a point at 58°09.13′ N. latitude, 136°17.97′ W. longitude to a point at 58°08.64′ N. latitude, 136°17.98′ W. longitude.

Idaho Inlet: will be open south of a line from a point at 58°12.51′ N. latitude, 136°09.78′ W. longitude to a point at 58°12.46′ N. latitude, 136°16.39′ W. longitude and north of a line from a point at 58°08.29′ N. latitude, 136°10.18′ W. longitude, to a point at 58°08.28′ N. latitude, 136°11.92′ W. longitude.

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point.

Section 14-C: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

Basket Bay shoreline: Fishermen are reminded that the portion of the Chichagof Island shoreline south of 57°41.65′ N. latitude and north of 57°37.91′ N. latitude, including the waters of Basket Bay, are closed waters.

**Amalga Harbor SHA:** Fishermen and tenders are reminded to avoid anchoring in the closed inner waters of Amalga Harbor to avoid fouling with net pen anchors and cables in the area.

King Salmon Landing Restrictions: For Kendrick Bay THA and fishing areas open outside of THAs, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length MAY be retained and sold. King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Hidden Falls, Anita Bay, and Neets Bay THAs may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Saturday, July 29, 2017.

Copies of the "2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan" may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department's website at: <a href="http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon managementplans">http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon managementplans</a>.

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# Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 30

## **Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 25, 2017**

## NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	10	350	400	25,000	1,600	27,360	9
District 2	15	475	550	1,000	5,000	7,040	8
District 4	150	6,000	1,100	20,000	3,000	30,250	11
Section 7-A	40	200	25	50,000	11,000	61,265	11
District 10	40	800	2,000	200,000	7,500	210,340	24
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	6,000	4,000	678,000	22,000	710,000	57
Tenakee/Basket Bay Shore	0	500	1,500	158,000	6,400	166,400	25
W. Admiralty shore	0	8,200	2,400	741,000	41,000	792,600	46
Section 13-A	0	2,600	1,300	720,000	16,000	739,900	41
Section 13-C	0	300	1,500	260,000	15,000	276,800	21
Total	255	25,425	14,775	2,853,000	128,500	3,021,955	253

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	1	39	44	2,778	178	3,040	
District 2	2	59	69	125	625	880	
District 4	14	545	100	1,818	273	2,750	
Section 7-A	4	18	2	4,545	1,000	5,570	
District 10	2	33	83	8,333	313	8,764	
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	105	70	11,895	386	12,456	
Tenakee/Basket Bay Shore	0	20	60	6,320	256	6,656	
W. Admiralty shore	0	178	52	16,109	891	17,230	
Section 13-A	0	63	32	17,561	390	18,046	
Section 13-C	0	14	71	12,381	714	13,181	

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 117,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 8,000 king and 85,000 chum salmon.

Hidden Falls THA: insufficient harvest information.

Confidential: Section 9-B, Deep Inlet THA

No effort: District 3, Section 13-B